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## GETTING POSTMASTERSHIP NOT SUCH A SNAP FOR JOE MARTIN

Charges Filed Against Democratic County Chairman in County Seat Fight

### NEWS IN LATE DISPATCHES

Believed Complaint Has Come From Fight Within Democracy in the County—Sponsor Palmer III and Delay May be the Result.

Getting a postmastership is not such an easy thing after all, especially in such a place as Washington, the county seat of this county it would appear from recent news. J. W. Martin, county chairman of the Democratic party in the county, seemed a safe bet for the place until Wednesday when it became known that charges had been made against him. Martin hastened off to Washington, D. C., Wednesday night, after a brief visit in Charleroi. From his confidence it was indicated that everything would come around all right for him.

Under a Washington date line there appeared the following news item in certain of this morning's papers:

A possible reason for the delay in the appointment of a postmaster at Washington, Pennsylvania, is found in the fact that it was learned from official sources that charges had been filed against Joseph W. Martin, whose name has been handed to the president by Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer of Pennsylvania.

In just what these charges consist is not made known, and the identity of those making them has not been made public. It is known, however, that charges have been made against Martin, who is at present the Democratic county chairman in his home county, and it is generally presumed that the origin of the charges is to be found in Martin's home county. Interest is added to the situation by the fact that Martin's choice by Palmer for the postoffice job was the cause of a warm fight within the Democracy of Washington county and caused considerable dissatisfaction among an element which has been opposed to Martin.

"If the charges are sustained it is of course certain that Martin would not get the appointment to the postoffice. However, if the charges, whatever they may be, are disproved it is stated that Martin will be most certainly named. No indication is given here as to the length of time the appointment will be held up pending the investigation of the charges. Congressman Palmer, who is Martin's sponsor here, has been ill for a week and this fact will probably cause some delay in the progress of investigation."

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## APPROPRIATION OF \$15,000 ASKED FOR LOCAL HOSPITAL

Representative Harry Myers Introduces Bill in Legislature—\$8,000 For Maintenance.

Representative Harry Myers of Washington has introduced a bill in the legislature for an appropriation of \$15,000 for the Charleroi-Monessen hospital. Of this amount \$8,000 is for maintenance and \$7,000 for building and extension. In introducing this bill Mr. Myers spoke of the industrial community in which this hospital is located and the dire necessity for an appropriation of the amount stipulated in the bill. Last year \$20,000 was asked for and \$17,000 obtained. The hospital has recently been re-organized and many changes made in and about the institution for the betterment of conditions.

## TRANSFER MADE OF LOCK WORKERS

Changes at Three Locks Effective Now—Slackwater Leaves for Lock No. 2

### RIVER NEWS TOLD IN BRIEF

An important transfer affecting government employees was made the first of the month. Capt. William Syfers, lockman at Lock No. 2 was transferred to Lock No. 6, taking the place of Oliver Crawford, who was transferred to Lock No. 5, he in turn taking the place of Nicholas Lafune, who was transferred to Lock No. 2 to take the place of Capt. Syfers. This transfer has been pending for some time and was consummated through the efforts of William H. Archibald, junior engineer of the U. S. corps of engineers in the Pittsburgh office. The changes were made as a mutual agreement for the purpose of placing each man in his own home community.

### Slackwater Departs.

The United States steamer Slackwater, Capt. James T. Nutt in charge, arrived Wednesday evening from Lock No. 7, having gone there on an emergency trip to make repairs to the wicket chains, which had given way. E. C. Hiebel, submarine diver accompanied the boat and completed the work which was all done under water. The Slackwater left this morning with several flats, derrick boats, and a large consignment of material which will be used in constructing two coffer dams at Lock No. 2. The lock will receive extensive repairs within the next few months.

### New Machinery Being Placed

The first consignment of new capstans and new machinery to be used for facilitating the passage of boats through river locks is now being placed at Lock No. 5, under the direction of W. Park Boyd, resident machinist. Mr. Boyd is an experienced machinist and will have charge of the installation of the entire plant. Similar machinery will be placed at Lock No. 1, 2, 3, and 5. The same type of machinery will be installed at Lock

## UNUSUAL ACT OF HEROISM PERFORMED IN ENGLAND BY NEPHEW OF CHARLEROI MAN

David Humphrey Saves Young Woman From Death Beneath Train by Compelling Her to Lie Flat Until Engine and Carriages Pass

An heroic act of a most unusual kind in the saving of a woman from sure death was performed by David Humphrey, a nephew of George Campbell of 904 Eleventh street, at Merton station near Newcastle, in England recently. He has already received recognition for his heroic act. A story of the affair in the Newcastle Chronicle was as follows:

"Just as the one o'clock train from Hartlepool to Sunderland was entering the station a young lady named Miss Lee, of the Waterworks, Merton, was standing on the edge of the platform awaiting the train, when an exceptionally strong gust of wind blew her from the platform on the line between the rails. The engine, which was only within a few yards of her, was traveling at a good speed, when a porter named David Humphrey, of Brookland street, Merton, noticing the extreme danger in which the young lady was placed immediately jumped on to the line.

"He pulled the young lady, who was struggling to her feet, flat on to her face between the rails, and the engine and three carriages went over the place where they were lying, before the engine could be pulled up.

"The porter, who had through all this kept remarkably cool, brought the girl from under the carriage. She was unconscious, but did not seem to be in any way hurt, where she was attended to."

Mr. Campbell has just received word here of the occurrence as well as the information of the recognition given his nephew for his heroic work.

## COTTAGE MEETINGS FOR LOCALS FAIL TO HALT LAFAYETTE LEADERS

Preparations Being Made For Tabernacle Campaign—Friday Night's Program Shows Home Services Will Be Held at Many Points.

Cottage prayer meetings arranged for tomorrow night in preparation for the tabernacle meetings to be conducted at the tabernacle on Fifth street and Fallowfield avenue will be as follows: At the home of C. S. Van Voorhis, 710 Sixth street, A. B. Bowers, leader, at the home of Miss Thine Furner, Fifth and Meadow, Mrs. D. R. Duvall, leader; at the home of Mrs. Jane Stroud, 117 Prospect avenue, Mrs. Howard Fields, leader; at the home of A. G. Lewis, 520 Washington avenue, Dr. C. C. Wright, leader; at the home of J. M. Whittle, Lock No. 4, S. W. Sharpnack, leader.

Receives Fine Fowls. John Barrass, of Dunlevy has just received 25 pullets and two cockerels from one of the largest poultry farms in New York state. These birds are among the high class single comb white leghorns.

Valentine Special. 50 Violets in a heart shaped box \$1.00. Kinder Floral Company, 608 Fallowfield avenue. 187-2

No. 4, when completed.

River Notes. The steamer Rover, of the River Coal combine is completing the work of removing the coal sunk in the lock chamber at Lock No. 4, January 30 from the tow of the J. C. Risher.

The steamer Twilight, owned by the Rodgers Sand company is receiving a battery of new boilers and other will take several weeks to install after which the Twilight will re-enter the sand and gravel transportation service.

The steamer Midland, owned by the Crucible Steel company met with an accident, having her shaft broken. Repairs are being made. The crew has been transferred to the steamer Crucible.

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### COYLE THEATRE PROGRAM INCLUDES BIG FEATURES

The Coyle theatre program for today is being featured by "Camero Kirby" with Dustin Farnum in the leading role. The film is a Jesse Lasky feature and is a fascinating southern dramatic romance. Next Tuesday evening Mary Pickford will be shown in "Cinderella."

Experienced young lady violinist wishes any kind of orchestra work. Willing to leave town. Write 620 McKean avenue. 185-13

Mahieu's Specials. Grape fruits, 7 for 25 cents. Large Florida Oranges 25c dozen. Cane Sugar, 25lb sack, \$1.60. Baldwin apples 25 cents per peck. Peanut Butter, 2 lbs for 25 cents. 187-12

### VAUDEVILLE AT THE PALACE THEATRE TONIGHT

## SKATING TODAY AT CHARLEROI POND

## RAPID DEVELOPMENT OF MINES PRESAGED BY LATE ACTIVITY

Prohibition Issue to be Threshed Out by Debaters

Fayette Countians to Discuss Popular Subject at Turner Hall Next Monday Evening.

J. C. Young, of Point Marion, and W. M. Likens, who is more or less of a national figure have arranged to hold one of their series of debates on the question of whether or not prohibition is a good thing at Turner Hall on next Monday evening. Young will attempt to prove that prohibition is "impractical, un-American and unchristian" and Likens will uphold prohibition. Young and Likens have debated the point at Point Marion, at Brownsville and at Connellsville, and have been pretty successful so far in drawing big crowds.

## POSTOFFICES TO LOOK FOR JOBS

Department of Labor Will Hunt Places for Men Out of Employment

### STATISTICS MUST BE GIVEN

Every postoffice in this country will now be an employment agency. The purpose of this new venture of the Department of Labor is to get men searching for work in touch with the employers of labor. Applications have been received by Postmaster at the local postoffice.

Men out of work can apply to the postmaster for application blanks. Men wanting to employ labor can also secure blanks and the service is free to both.

When the blanks are filled out, they can be returned to the postoffice or carriers where there are any and they will then be forwarded to Washington, postoffice to the Department of Labor.

Farmers desiring to employ men must state the wages they will pay to experienced and unexperienced men, and also the kind of work that is to be done. They must also state whether they want married or single men and if they are willing to pay transportation and if so, whether it will be deducted from the wages of the men.

Persons wanting work are required to give age, nationality, married or single, what wages they expect whether they have ever worked on a farm and in what branch of the industry they are most proficient.

Return engagement, March 1, "Tillies Punctured Romance," Coyle Theatre. 179-11

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Quarterly Remnant Sale Saturday and Monday at Kirk & Clark 186-12

American Steel Company to Open Up Workings at Linn's Station

### FRICK PEOPLE TO FIRE OVENS

Announcement Made of Starting of Operation of 340 Ovens in Fayette County—Eighty Per Cent Capacity Prediction for April.

Rapid development of mines along the Monongahela river between Gray's Landing and Martin, as well as at other points in the valley, is presaged by activity being shown by the American Steel Company, of Pittsburgh, which is beginning the preliminary work of opening up mines formerly owned by the Rocks' interests at Linn's Station. The Steel company acquired the mines at sheriff's sale, and have placed an experienced mine operator and mine owner in charge of the work. His name is Burns, and he has been for a long time associated with mine development in the upper Monongahela valley.

The Rocks' interests' mines as they are known are located besides the Snowden Coal and Coke works, which are now operating in full. When the steel company gets affairs in operation it will also operate a store, having made arrangements for taking over the store property.

Much activity is being shown by the H. C. Frick Coal and Coke company in Fayette county. On Wednesday announcement was made of the starting of 340 coke ovens of this concern in Fayette county for the second week of February. Since January 20 operations have been increased from 35 to 62 per cent and it is understood that there will be a general resumption throughout the H. C. Frick coke region until the company is operating on at least an 80 per cent basis by April 1.

### VAUDEVILLE PROGRAM FOR PALACE ANNOUNCED

Splendid offerings have been programmed for a vaudeville at the Palace theatre this week. Perry and Richards will present high class singing and dancing. George C. Wheeler will appear as a comedy tramp, and Grover and Swisher two excellent black face comedians will complete the bill. The motion picture for this evening will be a two part drama, "Dear Old Girl" with Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne in the leading roles. On Monday, "The Chocolate Soldier" an Alliance feature will be shown.

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### Deed Recorded.

May 23, 1914—George W. Turner et al., Charleroi, to Harry Perry, et al., trustees of Glass House Lodge, No. 4392, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of Charleroi, a lot fronting 30 feet on Lincoln avenue, Charleroi and extending back 100 feet; consideration \$1.

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TO STAMP OUT GOSSIPING

A Mother's Club out in Kansas re-
cently took action against gossip.
Gossips, men as well as women, will
no longer be able to thrive in Gardner.
A resolution was introduced at a
meeting of the Mother's Club of that
city and reads as follows says the
New Castle Herald:

"Resolved, That the members of
the Mother's Club, believing that un-
kind gossip is contrary to the Golden
Rule, will abstain from the same and
refuse to accept the association of
those of either sex who talk scandal."

In introducing the resolution, a
member of the club declared that con-
tinuous circulation of scandal by word
of mouth was running the social life
of the town, and that men were as
bad as women when it came to gos-
siping.

Gardner, Kansas, is no different
from many other towns. Gossiping
seems to be in the atmosphere of all
small communities. In some local-
ities it exists in a more marked de-
gree than in others. Large cities
are even filled with people who run
from house to house tattling and tel-
ling news. The gossip does not be-
come so wide-spread in larger cities
because the extent of the gossipers'
acquaintance is not so great as it
might be in smaller places.

The women of Gardner, Kansas, are
doing their best to eliminate an evil,
but the spirit of their effort: gossips
will remain. Gossips will always be
found where men and women still
have the use of their tongues and can
find those who will listen to their
tires. The gossips are like the poor.
And there is no indication as yet of
the poor leaving us.

HOW ABOUT THE PRESENT

These are better times, religiously,
than at any other time previously in
the history of the nation, the Altoona
Tribune finds. In writing of the pro-
gress of religion among college men,
the Tribune has the following to say
editorially.

There are by no means so many
young fools in the schools of the
twentieth century as attended those of
the fifth and sixth decades of the
nineteenth century.

There may be no more real relig-
ion among the young fellows of to-
day than their grandfathers possess-
ed, but the brag and braggadocio of
those transition years have vanish-
ed. Certain old time theological be-
liefs are no longer very popular, but
religion has lost none of its power; on
the contrary it has made immense
gains.

This century has definitely turned
its back upon the gross materialism
of the past and has assumed a very
reverent attitude. Science and Phil-
osophy have joined hands with Rel-
igion in the effort to benefit the lat-
est born generations of the human
race and more progress than ever be-
fore is being made now toward com-
pletely linking the life of man to the
divisive.

There is little reason to believe our
schools are hotbeds of infidelity. In-
stead, it is no longer fashionable.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

A man who was decidedly a heavy-
weight entered a Pittsburgh-Charlroi
car at Monongahela one evening re-
cently and establishing himself com-
fortably on a seat, courted the god-
dess of slumber. Shortly he was
snoring rippingly.

A boy of four years with his father
boarded the car at a later stop,
and took a seat where the boy
could not see the man of avoirdupois. He
could hear him, however, and wrig-

gled about anxiously trying to lo-
cate the origin of the noise.
"Father!" he burst out, "what is
that noise?"
"Shh, you mustn't ask such ques-
tions," instructed the father.
"But father is it a bulldog?" he
persisted, and everybody in the car
enjoyed the good laugh.

"If any man here," shouted the
temperance speaker, "can name an
honest business that has been helped
by the saloon I will spend the rest of
my life working for the liquor people."

A man in the audience arose. "I
consider my business an honest one,"
he said, "and it has been helped by
the saloon."

"What is your business?" yelled
the orator.

"I, sir," responded the man, "am an
undertaker."

Electric Sparks

Getting ahead is a difficult pro-
ceeding with a holding back man.

Most amateur would be novelists
are cheerful exponents of the theory
that a man can get something for
nothing.

One of the most interesting clas-
sics is "We are sorry the enclosed
manuscript is unsuitable for present
use, and beg to return the same to
you with thanks for permitting us to
see it." However it isn't half as
interesting nor as pointed as the re-
mark some aspiring ones make upon
getting such a return.

Some people work and get worked.

LOCALS FAIL

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the affair, owing to injuries. Lineup:
Charlroi—17 Lafayette—38
Stark F Mackey
Brickley F Artz
A. Kerfoot C Lysaught
Brown G Beggs Snyder
J. Kerfoot G Buck Snyder
Substitutions—Burke for J. Kerfoot,
Waller for Mackey, Mackey for Buck
Snyder. Field goals—Stark, Brickley
3, Burke, Mackey Artz 7, Lysaught,
Waller 2, Beggs Snyder 3, Buck Snyder.
Fouls—Brickley 6 of 14, Stark
1 of 1, Beggs Snyder 1 of 17. Ref-
eree—Smith. Timekeeper—Graesser
Scorer—Kuh.

CHARLEROI LYCEUM TEAM
LOSES TO UNIVERSITY

St. Jerome's Lyceum five lost to
the Duquesne University five at Du-
quesne University Tuesday evening
by the score of 62 to 25. Lineup:
Duquesne—62 St. Jerome's—25
Pierotti F Schieler
Madden F Messonier
Shortley C Clark
Gillis G Lentz
Howard G Protin
Field goals—Madden 11, Shortley
7, Gillis 5, Pierotti 4, Howard, Clark
5, Lentz 2, Messonier. Foul goals
—Gillis 4, Clark 7. Referee—Dr.
Sexias.

CHARLEROI JUNIORS WIN OUT
42 TO 8 FROM FAYETTE CITY

Locals Play Fast Game and Easily
Defeat Up-River Lads—Burke
Leads in Field Goals.

The Charlroi Juniors Basketball
five defeated the Fayette City team
by the score of 42 to 8 Wednesday
night in a preliminary. The Juniors
will play the Southside Turners Sat-
urday night at Southside. Lineup:
Charlroi—42 Fayette City—8
Myers F Davidson
Burke F Renstrom
McDowell C Brightwell
H. Lowstuter G Carroll
Loosd G Eland
Field Goals—Burke 8, McDowell 5,
Myers 2, H. Lowstuter 4, Brightwell
Davidson. Fouls—Myers 4 of 9,
Davidson 4 of 13. Referee—Burke.

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Literary Lunkheads.
He is a dub. I hope he chokes.
His field has a wide range.
This lad was caps off my last jokes
And signs himself "Exchange."
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

I love to write the joyous wheeze
Which in my brain has risen.
But griddons not wait the sneeze
Who takes it off as his.
—Russell County (Ky.) Advocate.

Our Daily Special.
You Are Not as Important as You
Think You Are.

Things to Worry About.
There are 20,000 different kinds of
butterflies.

Tough.
Man wants but little here below,
And it costs him real sore
When hair restorer gets his dough
And it does not restore.

Paw Knows Everything.
Willie—Paw, what is the age of dis-
cretion?
Paw—There isn't any, my son.

Maw—What do you mean by telling
the child there isn't any age of discre-
tion?
Paw—I mean just what I said. Why,
every now and then some man over
seventy goes and gets married.

Maw—Willie, you go and take a
walk.

Sure!
We like to pose, you'll find it's true.
And with real sober faces
Tell other people what we'd do
If we were in their places.

Did You Ever Try to Milk a Mule?
Horses and mules raised in Ottawa
county for dairy and beef purposes.—
Kansas State Agricultural Report.

Too Realistic.
An old man who sang but one hymn
Would sing it with vigor and hymn.
The chorus he'd roar
Was, "Pull For the Shore!"
And a lady screamed: "Help! I can't
swim!"

Some Compliment.
"Old Bucks paid me a very high com-
pliment the other day," said the news-
paper man.
"Was it?" asked the rounder.
"He asked me if I could lend him
\$500," replied the newspaper man.

You Have Seen Him.
It's fun to see old Codger go
And try to brush his hair.
He acts as though he didn't know
There isn't any there.

Is That So!
"Things are not always what they
seem. Many a complexion that looks
like peaches and cream tastes like ka-
soline," says the Cincinnati Enquirer.
That is what you get for biting a girl
instead of being satisfied to kiss her.—
Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Names Is Names.
M. T. Street lives at Parkersburg,
W. Va.

Luke McLuke Says:
The fourth baby may have to wear a
lot of secondhand stuff, but it gets
some sleep. It isn't awakened every
fifteen minutes by the proud mother
so she can exhibit it to callers.
Some men retire to caves and become
hermits so they will be obscure. And
others marry suffragettes.

Before marriage he would lay down
his life for a word from her. After
marriage he won't even lay down his
newspaper to talk to her.

Judging from the way they get along
some couples seem to have married for
the sole reason that the man wanted
an excuse for not going to war in case
his country needed him.

It is only a short step from virtue to
vice. But it is a million miles from
vice to virtue.

Cheer up! Even if you do have a
hard time raising the rent money every
month you can sleep soundly at night
knowing that when you die a bunch of
high priced lawyers will not discover
that you were insane when you made
your will.

Women are smarter than men in
some ways. But you can't teach her
not to put her car fare in her mouth
or to get off a street car the right way.

Why do they call them grass widows?
None of them is green, and few of
them are bums.

The woman who marries a man she
can't love usually loves a man she
can't marry.

A woman's idea of an unsociable hus-
band is one who won't talk in his
sleep.

It is the man who hasn't anything to
divide who is always yelling for an
equal division of wealth.

You never have any trouble getting
all the assistance you want when you
are saying your will oats. But when
harvest time comes you will find that
you must reap alone.

The old fashioned woman who used
to press her husband's pants every
Sunday morning now has a married
daughter who sends her skirts to a
tailor and has creases put in them.

It could be worse. When you have
only one suit of clothes to your name
you know that the moths are not eat-
ing the other suit.

And if kisses tasted as good after
marriage as they did before marriage
a whole lot of lawyers, judges and de-
tectives would be selling wringers for
a living.

TREE A GIGANTIC PUMP.

One Elm Found to Raise 260 Barrels
of Water a Day.

Professor Pierce tells of a Washing-
ton elm which possesses 7,000,000
leaves exposed, a foliage surface of
five acres, which gives off to the air
200 barrels of water every summer's
day, and that this tree is located near
parked streets and cement sidewalks.

The question arises, Where does this
vast amount of water come from? It
is assumed that many city trees perish
from lack of water owing to water
tight pavement and water tight side-
walks.

In answering this question it must
not be forgotten that the roots of any
tree, especially the elm tree, extend a
long distance, thus encroaching upon
the lawn soils adjacent, the sidewalks
and the streets.

It must also be remembered that
there are many subterranean springs
existing in cities and towns as well as
on farms.

Notwithstanding these explanations
we wonder at the capacity of this big
tree to gather moisture to its roots,
partly rooted over by city pavements.
It illustrates the fact that there is
much yet to be learned about root
growth and tree growth generally.

After being told that one tree throws
into the air 200 barrels of water every
summer's day we may get some idea
of the reason for the coolness of the
air in the forest or beneath shade trees
growing in the field or upon our lawns.
Shade trees are indeed more productive
of coolness on a summer's day than
would be a gigantic fan.— Fruit
Grower.

ANCIENT "WIRELESS."

An Old Roman Carrier Pigeon Station
Still Stands in France.

A few miles north of Marseilles and
within easy walk of the tram to Aix-
en-Provence lies a typical Provencal
village that tourists usually miss. It
was founded by the Romans during
their occupation of the south of
France and is built in accordance with
the customs of that time. The houses
appear to be perched on top of each
other, but on closer inspection are
found to be built on ledges on a hill-
side.

This hill is the most interesting fea-
ture of the place. What appears as
a solitary crag is in reality a castle,
the rooms, fortifications, etc., being cut
out of the solid rock and forming a
fortress, practically impregnable in
those days. At the side of the castle
is a "round tower," about forty feet in
height and seven feet in diameter.

The interior of this tower acted as
the "wireless station" in Roman times.
The interior consisted of a series of
loggia, from which the birds,
bearing messages, were sent direct to
Rome.

The whole of the interior was con-
structed of a very hard cement, which,
with the wear of ages, is now slowly
decaying, and only one perfect "loft"
now remains. There was accommoda-
tion for about 250 pairs of birds, to-
gether with an abundant water and
grain supply, the attendants being
quartered in the castle.—Wide World
Magazine.

The Long Bamboo.

An Englishman was once rallying a
native of India upon his facility in ly-
ing. The native at once replied:
"Why, sahib, we are all more or less
liars in my country, and if I tell you
a story another immediately caps it.
There were two young men of my
country who had a boasting match,
and one said, 'My father is so rich and
has so many horses that his stable is
of such extent as to take a horse
eleven months to go from one end stall
to the other.' 'Shabash, brother,' re-
plied the second boaster, 'that is very
good. My father has a bamboo so
long that he can sweep the clouds
away with it when they obscure the
sun in harvest time.' 'Hi, hi!' ex-
claimed the first. 'That is very won-
derful, but, pray, brother, where does
your father keep such a long bam-
boo?' 'Why, you stupid, was the an-
swer, 'in your father's stable, to be
sure.'"

Not Unnatural Inquiry.
Dorothy has a baby brother who has
recently been ill, cutting his first teeth.
The badness of the baby's head had
caused Dorothy great anxiety. She
stood at the mother's knee one day
gently patting the little head. "Be
careful, Dorothy," said the mother.
"You know poor little brother is ill.
He is cutting his teeth." Dorothy pat-
ted the bald head reflectively. "Mam-
ma," she said, "will it make him ill
when he cuts his hair?"—Exchange.

Locating the Fire.

"Where was the fire in town last
night?"
"I think it must have been the li-
brary."

"What makes you think that?"
"Wasn't it the smoke was issua-
ing in volumes."—London Telegraph.

Recent Suits.

"Father, I am in this expense account
'Fourteen' and 'Sixteen.' You didn't
pay that much for fourteen suits or
clothes, did you?"
"Sure, son, but you're 'em were
damaged suits."—Exchange.

Venerable Apparel.

"That's a pretty good suit you've got on,
Weary."

"Yes, it belonged to a man that was
deaf."—Boston Transcript.

Horse and Graffe.

It takes a good horse to run down a
graffe, and if the least advantage is
permitted the wild creature the race is
lost.

NAMES OF OUR EARTH.

It Was Called Ge by the Greeks and
Terra by the Latins.

Answering the question, "Who nam-
ed our planet the earth? Why could it
not have had a romantic and beau-
tiful name such as astronomers have
given to the planets Jupiter, Venus,
Mars or Neptune? Our planet alone
has the utilitarian, but not graceful
name the earth," Edgar Lucien Larkin
in the New York American says:

The good Anglo-Saxon folk gave the
name earth to this, our world, and
the British dwindled the word down
to earth. But is this not fully as ro-
mantic as the name Ge, given to it by
the Greeks, and Terra by the Latins?
Ge is indeed commonplace, but Terra
is highly romantic.

Classic mythology tells that Terra
was one of the most ancient deities
and wife of Uranus and mother of
Oceanus, the Titans, Cyclopes, Giants,
Thes, Rheia, Themis, Phoebe, Tethys
and Mnemosyne. And she is the same
deity as Tellus. But Tellus was the
most ancient goddess after Cimos. In
later mythic ages she was called by
the exceedingly romantic names Cy-
bele, Rheia, Vesta, Ceres, Tithea, Roma,
Dea, Prosperpine and others. And when
sailing under the euphonious titles she
passed through many very romantic
episodes. At times she got into ro-
mantic difficulties, when circulating
around with other goddesses and gods.

POWER OF ELOQUENCE.

Financial Effect of Whitefield's Sermon
on Ben Franklin.

Whitefield made seven visits to Amer-
ica. He brought great blessings to our
land. Whittier wrote of him thus:
The flood of emotion, deep and strong,
Troubled the land as it swept along.
But left a result of holier lives.

In Philadelphia, he preached with
such effectiveness that the dancing
rooms were discontinued, and the ball
and concert rooms were shut up "as in-
consistent with the gospel."

Benjamin Franklin tells that in Phil-
adelphia 30,000 heard him with ease.
Ben was caught with the matchless
delivery of his sermons. "I happened
in a meeting in the course of which, I
perceived," writes he, "that he intend-
ed to finish with a collection, and I
silently resolved that he would get
nothing from me. I had in my pocket
a handful of copper money, three or
four silver dollars and five pistoles in
gold. As he preached I began to soften
and concluded to give the coppers; an-
other stroke of his oratory made me
ashamed of that and determined me to
give the silver; and he finished so ad-
mirably that I emptied my pockets
wholly into the collection dish, gold
and all."—Christian Herald.

Spanish Boys' Game.

Spanish lads have a game which they
call "Hobbybull," and it has something
on the American kiddies' hobbyhorse,
according to those who have seen it.
The boys of Malaga and other Spanish
cities find an immense amount of ex-
citement and amusement in mock en-
counters with the hobbybull, which is
merely a framework mounted on
wooden wheels and has a pair of horns
lashed to its forward end. Armed with
a scarlet cloth, one of the boys infuri-
ates the hobbybull, while another op-
erates the "animal."

If the matador has talent in the art
of taunting and teasing and the other
lad is spirited the game may become
serious. Boys in training to become
matadors practice regularly with the
hobbybull and consider such play a
part of their training.—Philadelphia
North American.

Qualities of the Topaz.

The name of the precious stone fu-
sioned in the ring of Gyges has not
been handed down to us, but it is prob-
able that it was the topaz, whose won-
ders Philostrates recounts in the life
of Apollonius. An attribute of the sun
and of fire, the ancients called it the
gold magnet, as it was credited with
the power of attracting that metal, in-
dicating its veins and discovering
the treasures. Heliodorus in his story
of Theagenes and Charicles says that
the topaz saves from fire all those who
wear it and that Charicles was pre-
served by a topaz from the fiery ven-
geance of Arsaces, queen of Ethiopia.
This stone was one of the first talis-
mans that Theagenes possessed in
Egypt. The topaz at present symbol-
izes Christian virtues—faith, justice,
temperance, gentleness, clemency.

Our Moral Codes.

Our moral codes were invented not
to prepare men for heaven or for
Ophir. They were invented by men who
were none too good themselves to pro-
tect themselves from people who were
not much worse. There are great dif-
ferences in human beings as to the
amount of knowledge and wisdom
which they possess, but there is small
difference in regard to the amount of
goodness or morality that they mani-
fest.—Mowry Sabon in Forum.

A Suffering Case.

"Those detectives have just arrested
as osteopath as a felon."

"That must have been a painful
duty."

"Why painful?"

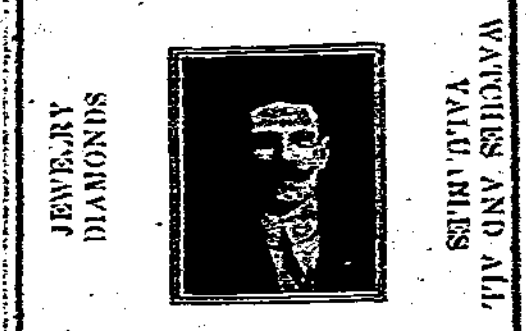
"Didn't it give them a bone felon on
their hands?"—Baltimore American.

Sure.

"Why do we always speak of the sil-
very moon?" asked the boob.

"On account of his quarters and
halves. I suppose," replied the cheerful
idiot.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Valentine Social.
A Valentine social will be given by
the Protected Home Circle in their
hall, Friday evening, February 12.
Admission 10 cents. Everybody wel-
come. 186-13

Every Quarter.
The Kirk and Clark quarterly
Remnant Sale has come to be an es-
tablished event in Charlroi and
neighborhood. Many thrifty people
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begin on Saturday morning. 186-12

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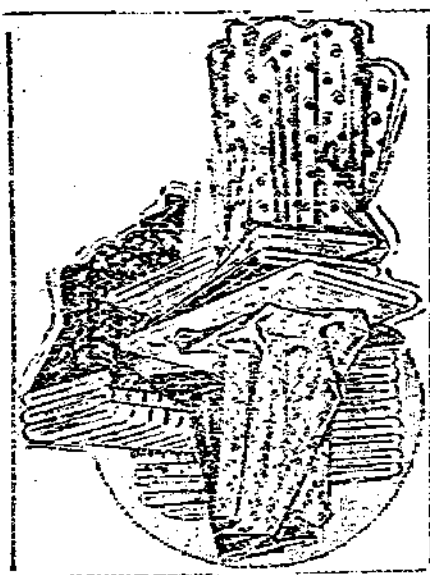
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## WAR BULLETINS

London, Feb. 11.—The carnage is awful in the titanic conflict now raging between the Russians and Austro-German armies for possession of the Carpathian passes. The battle is expected to decide whether the Russian troops will begin another invasion of Hungary or be compelled to evacuate part of Galicia, as they have done at Bukovina.

Petrograd, Feb. 11.—Slight Russian advances are claimed in the Carpathian fighting.

London, Feb. 11.—Bayonet fighting without precedent in history is said to have taken place when the Russians drove the Austro-Germans from the heights in the region of Roziowka, previously captured by the Austro-German forces.

Berlin, Feb. 11.—Russians have been compelled by the Austro-Germans to abandon Czernowitz, capital of Bukovina.

New York, Feb. 11.—Cunard Steamship company officials admit the use of the American flag off the Irish coast, upon the arrival of the vessel here.

London, Feb. 11.—The British Foreign office has decided the cargo of the American steamship *Wilhelmina* must go through a prize court.

Washington, D. C. Feb. 11.—Friendly observations, in which the danger to neutral commerce is pointed out if the practice is continued, is made in a note to Great Britain by the United States in discussing the Lusitania's use of the Stars and Stripes. At the same time communication was dispatched to the German government to ascertain what steps would be taken by German naval commanders to

verify the identity of ships flying neutral flags in the recently proclaimed war zones around England.

**LOVER.**  
Mrs. John Winnett who has been ill of pneumonia remains about the same.

Miss Myrtle McCracken visited her aunt Mrs. Clint Cooper Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Mary Sphar visited Miss Della McCracken Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis of near Roscoe visited Mrs. Davis' sister, Mrs. Cora McCracken Sunday.

Fallowfield Grange No. 1382 will hold a box and pie social at Carson's school house Saturday night.

Mrs. L. P. Wright and children Edward and Bernice visited her aunt, Mrs. Bert Sphar Thursday.

Quite a number of young people attended a serenade one evening last week at the home of A. B. Waller, it being in celebration of the marriage of his only daughter Bertie. She was married New Years day but the marriage was kept a secret for a month. After the serenade the young people were invited in, and were entertained by music and were treated to candy and cigars. When departing they were given a two dollar bill by Mr. Power to treat themselves at the nearby store, which they did.

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## PERSONALS

Miss Maude Spidell has returned from a business and pleasure trip to Bedford and New York.

Miss Hazel Watson will entertain the members of the Star Sunday school class of the First Christian church at her home in North Charleroi this evening.

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## Tenniel's Mustache.

The later portraits of Sir John Tenniel, the famous cartoonist of London Punch, show him wearing a full beard and mustache, but his most familiar appearance was with a mustache only, a long and curly specimen, worthy of one of Ouida's gnomes. The story of how he came to grow it is interesting.

After the Crimean war the return of the soldiers with full beards started a fashion against which three Punch artists protested. One day, being out on horseback together, they solemnly halted at crossroads and swore of their uplifted hunting crops never to wear hair on lip or chin. Tenniel was one of the party. Least another and H. T. Pritchett the third.

Each alone remained true to the vow. Pritchett went to Skye, and on his return with a mustache called on Tenniel. He thrust his head in at the cartoonist's door and dumbly waited. "You scoundrel!" was Tenniel's exclamation. "Then I, too, must." And he did.

## He Cought to Know.

Lady—I should like to look at a flat which I see is for rent in this building, but no one has answered my bell.

Man—I'll show it to you. Right this way, mum.

"Well, this is something like it. The rooms will suit, I'm sure. What sort of a janitor have they here?"

"The very best in the city, mum."

"Obliging?"

"The kindest hearted gentleman to be found anywhere, mum."

"Honest?"

"As the day is long, mum."

"Is he attentive to his duties?"

"He's just workin' himself to death, mum. Always thinkin' up some new thing to make folks comfortable."

"Well, I declare! I wouldn't lose this flat for the world. Where is the janitor now?"

"I'm him, mum."—Kansas City Star.

## The Green Flames.

The greatest discovery of borax ever made was the result of the purest chance. A number of years ago a man named Aaron Winters was prospecting for gold or other precious metals in that American inferno known as Death valley. He had his wife with him, and they two worked together until their provisions were at an end; then, bitterly disappointed at their ill success, they started back toward civilization. The first night they camped in Ash valley. Here they lit a fire and prepared to cook their supper. Mrs. Winters called her husband's attention to the peculiar green tinge of the flames. He did not speak, but with shaking hands scratched away the earth and suddenly shouted: "We're rich, Rose, we're rich! It's borax!" He was right. They subsequently sold their claim for a very large sum.

## British Field Marshals.

A British field marshal never retires from the army. He may be placed on half pay, but is still borne on the active list. By the regulations there must not be more than eight field marshals receiving pay as such—that is, exclusive of honorary field marshals, such as foreign kings, emperors and princes. Of the eight regular field marshals two must be selected from the Indian army. The position of field marshal is a great one. The field marshal commanding in chief in the Mediterranean gets 45,000 a year. Probably a field marshal actively employed will get at least 25,000 a year. This is better than the pay of an admiral of the fleet, who may be said to be a naval field marshal, and gets only a little over 22,000 a year, exclusive of allowances.—Ireland's Own.

## Napoleon's Name.

A Greek scholar called attention to a very curious coincidence about the name of Napoleon. If you take away the first letter of his name you have "napoleon," take away the first letter of that word, and you have "poleon;" do this successively down to the last syllable, and you have "leon," "eon" and "on." Put these several words together in this order, Napoleon on leon leon eon napoleon polcon, and you have a Greek phrase the literal translation of which is "Napoleon, being the lion of peoples, went about destroying cities."—Exchange.

## The Dear Girls.

"I don't like my new gown very well," said the young lady recently. "The material is awfully pretty and the style is all right, but it needs something to improve the shape of it."

"Why," suggested her dearest friend, "don't you let some other girl wear it?"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## Not an Admirer.

"Your husband loves horses, doesn't he?"

"No," replied young Mrs. Torkins.

"But he is always going to the races."

"Yes. But the way he talks about the horses after he gets home is something dreadful."—Washington Star.

## Deductions.

"I rejected both Jack and William last night."

"I know it. I saw them shaking hands on the golf links this morning."—Philadelphia Ledger.

## Pernambuco.

Pernambuco means "the mouth of hell," in allusion to the violent surfs that is always seen at the mouth of its chief river.

## Russia in Asia.

Russia has no colonies, properly so called. Its possessions in Asia are merely reserve grounds for surplus population.

## AMERICAN ACHIEVEMENTS.

Some of the Big Things to the Credit of This Great Country.

Americans founded the first government under which all men were equal before the law. Since the Declaration of Independence was published to the world the democratic idea has hourly received impulse until now its march seems irresistible.

Americans were the first to demonstrate the feasibility of relying on a citizen soldiery to defend the land and its institutions against foreign or domestic attack.

Americans were the first to abolish ritual distinctions and to deprive social eminence of any support save character or the consensus of those who chose to consider themselves so fully elect.

It was an American who invented the steamship.

An American invented the telegraph.

An American invented the telephone.

An American invented the electric light.

An American invented the reaper which makes it possible to feed the billion and more people on this planet.

It was an American, too, who invented the sewing machine.

Americans also were the conquerors of pain when they discovered how, by means of sulphuric ether, the tenderest human nerves could be made insensible to the surgeon's steel.

Americans opened the ports of Japan to the nations of the world, made a path into darkest Africa, and an American crowned the geographical achievements of his countrymen by discovering the north pole.—Pittsburgh Press.

## HUMOR OF LINCOLN.

How the President Sized Up the Confederate Forces.

A visitor once asked Lincoln how many men the Confederates had in the field. The president replied very seriously:

"Twelve hundred thousand, according to the best authority."

The visitor smiled as he said:

"Good heavens!"

"Yes, sir, 1,200,000. No doubt of it. You see, all of our generals when they get whipped say the enemy outnumbered them from three or five to one, and I must believe them. We have 400,000 men in the field, and three times four make twelve."

A delegation once waited upon Lincoln to ask the appointment of a certain man as commissioner to the Sandwich islands. Besides his fitness for the place, they urged his bad health. But the president in reply said: "Gentlemen, I am sorry to say that there are eight other applicants for that place, and they are all sicker than your man."

A woman came to the White House one day on an unusual errand, which Lincoln suspected was a pretext, but he took her at her word and gave her the following note to a major of the quartermaster's department: "My dear sir, the lady bearer of this says she has two sons who want to work. Set them at it if possible. Wanting to work is so rare a merit that it should be encouraged."—A. Lincoln.

## Bolivia's Electrical Storms.

Owing to the peculiar topographical formation of Bolivia, electric and other phenomena are of constant occurrence, the principal zone where such disturbances take place being the Altiplanicie, or grand plateau. As the atmosphere is heavily charged with electricity both in summer and winter, dry or electric storms are of frequent occurrence both on the plateau and in the valleys. Before the rainy season sets in electrical accumulation becomes considerable on the plateau region, its most violent manifestations taking place toward the eastern section of the tablelands. An electrical storm in these regions is always a most imposing spectacle, as the tremendous force of the wind, almost equal to a hurricane, and the heavy electrical accumulation in the clouds produce terrible atmospheric explosions and violent detonations, while the surface of the ground sparkles and crackles.

## Scattered.

Pat was employed on an engineering job a few miles out of the city and was carried to his work by an express train, which accommodately slowed up near the scene of his labors. One morning, however, the train rushed through the cut without reducing speed, and the superintendent of the job looked in vain for Pat. At last he saw a much battered Irishman tripping back down the ties and called to him: "Hello, Pat! Where did you get off?" Pat turned stiffly and, waving his hand toward the steep embankment, sighed:

"Oh, all along here!"—Life.

## Keeping Mulberry Leaves.

Mulberry leaves, the chief diet of silkworms, can be preserved for a long time in cold storage if placed in well ventilated boxes of not more than three cubic feet capacity at a temperature of between 33.8 and 36.6 degrees F. The silkworms eat them just as if they were fresh.—New York World.

## Compromise.

"Dear lady, your child grows prettier every day."

"Oh, you exaggerate, sir."

"Well, then, let us say—every other day."—Manuscript.

## Change in the Meals.

Boarder—Here's a nickel I found in the bush, Landlady—Yes, I put it there. You're been complaining, I understand, about lack of change in your meals.—Boston Transcript.

## The Riddle Of the Sphinx

Has never been solved. Perhaps it was not much of a riddle, and it is not likely that the solution would be worth while. But the riddle of job printing has been solved, and the answer is found in our Job Department. Your troubles will be over if you will put them on us.

## Give Us the Order

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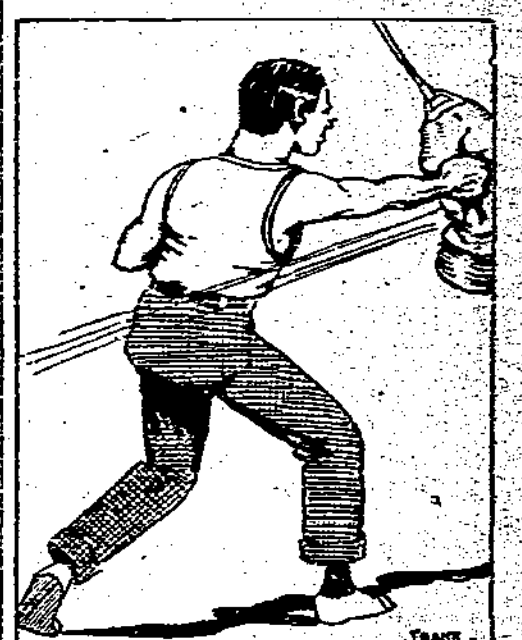
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